



**Order 96-10-5**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

Issued by the Department of Transportation  
on the 2nd day of October, 1966

Essential air service at

**FORT LEONARD WOOD,  
MISSOURI**

under 49 U.S.C. 4173 *et seq.*

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**ORDER EXTENDING SERVICE OBLIGATION**

**Background**

By Order 96-4-8, the Department requested proposals from interested carriers to provide essential air service at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, with or without subsidy. We received a subsidy proposal from Lone Star Airlines, and negotiations were held. Well into the negotiation process we received a late-filed subsidy proposal from Trans States Airlines. Because Trans States' proposal was filed well past the due date for proposals and in order to protect carriers' confidentiality in their subsidy submissions until all carrier proposals are filed and made public, we determined that the most equitable course of action would be to resolicit proposals. Thus, by Order 96-6-37, June 18, 1996, the Department resolicited proposals for Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

In response to our request, we received proposals from Lone Star and Trans States. Since the case will not be completed before the end of the current 30-day hold-in period October 3, 1996, in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 41734(c), we will extend Trans States' service obligation at Fort Leonard Wood for an additional 30 days, through November 4, 1996, or until replacement service actually begins, whichever occurs first.

This order is issued under authority assigned in 14 CFR Part 385.

**ACCORDINGLY,**

1. We require Trans States Airlines, Inc., d/b/a Trans World Express, to maintain essential air service at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, as set forth in Appendix C of Order 96-4-8, for an additional 30-day period through November 4, 1996, or until a carrier capable of providing reliable replacement service actually begins service, whichever occurs first<sup>1</sup>;
2. We direct Trans States Airlines, Inc., d/b/a Trans World Express, to retain all books, records, and other source and summary documentation to support claims for payment and to preserve and maintain such documentation in a manner that readily permits the audit and examination by representatives of the Department. Such documentation shall be retained for seven years or until the Department indicates that the records may be destroyed. Copies of flight logs for aircraft sold or disposed of must be retained. The carrier may forfeit its compensation for any claim that is not supported under the terms of this order; and
3. We will serve a copy of this order on the Commanding Officer of the U.S. Army Engineer Center and Fort Leonard Wood, the Missouri Highway and Transportation Department, the Governor of Missouri, and Trans States Airlines.

Persons entitled to petition the Department for review of this order under the Department's Regulations, 14 CFR 385.50, must file such petitions within ten days after the date of service of this order.

This order will be effective immediately, and the filing of a petition for review shall not preclude its effectiveness.

By:

**JOHN V. COLEMAN**  
Director  
Office of Aviation Analysis

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<sup>1</sup> In accordance with 49 U.S.C. 41734(c), we will extend Trans States' service obligation for successive 30-day periods as necessary until replacement service actually begins.